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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: GOC ASSESSMENT OF 34TH
SESSION OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (HRC)

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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED REFTEL POINTS WITH ALAN ROWE, DEPUTY
DIRECTOR, UN INSTITUTIONAL AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS DIVISION,
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (EXTAFF). ROWE WAS MEMBER
OF GOC DELEGATION TO SUBJECT SESSION.

2. ROWE READ TO EMBOFF EXCERPTS FROM EXTAFF IMPRESSIONS
OF 34TH SESSION. HIGHLIGHTS ARE AS FOLLOWS.

--SESSION WAS "SIGNIFICANTLY MORE PRODUCTIVE THAN OTHER
SESSIONS IN THE RECENT PAST."

--THE COMMISSION DEMONSTRATED THAT EFFECTIVE USE OF LONG-
STANDING PROCEDURES CAN PRODUCE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS WITH
REGARD TO GROSS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, I.E., THE 1503
PROCEDURES REGARDING UGANDA AND EQUATORIAL GUINEA AND THE
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PUBLIC RESOLUTION ON CAMBODIA.

--THE GOC DELEGATION WAS PARTICULARLY IMPRESSED BY THE
POSITIVE EFFORTS OF SENEGAL, NIGERIA, JORDAN, INDIA, AND
COLOMBIA.

--GOC DELEGATION NOTICED THAT EASTERN BLOC COUNTRIES WERE

INCREASINGLY ISOLATED IN THE COMMISSION.

-FINALLY, GOC DELEGATION BELIEVES ONE REASON FOR RELATIVE
SUCCESS OF THE SESSION WAS THE VERY STRONG EFFORTS OF THE
COMMISSION'S CONFERENCE BUREAU. PLACKE

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